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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 14, 2002

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA GAS DISTRIBUTION COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2001-00357

For an Annual Informational Filing

ORDER

In its January 25, 2002, Order, the State Corporation

Commission ("Commission") directed Virginia Gas Distribution

Company ("VGDC" or the "Company") to file its Annual

Informational Filing ("AIF") for 2001, no later than May 31,

2002. In the same Order, the Commission authorized VGDC to use

the test period January 1, 2001, through September 30, 2001, for

all of its AIF schedules with the exception of Schedules 9, 10,

and 12. The Commission further directed VGDC to file Schedules

9, 10, and 12, using the twelve months ending September 30,

2001, as the test year for these schedules.

On May 10, 2002, the Commission granted VGDC's request for a waiver of the portion of Rule 20 VAC 5-200-30 A 9 of the Commission's Rules Governing Utility Rate Increase Applications and Annual Informational Filings ("Rate Case Rules"), requiring

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the filing of Schedules 9 through 14 and the part of Schedule 21 (Workpapers for Earnings Test and Ratemaking Adjustments) relating to the foregoing schedules.

On June 7, 2002, VGDC, by counsel, filed a motion requesting that its 2001 AIF delivered to the Commission on June 5, 2002, be accepted out of time. VGDC advised that it was unable to file its AIF on May 31, 2002, because of extenuating family circumstances experienced by its regulatory compliance officer. VGDC represented in its motion that the Commission Staff did not oppose the Company's request.

NOW, UPON CONSIDERATION of VGDC's June 7, 2002, Motion, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that VGDC's motion should be granted, and that the documents constituting VGDC's 2001 AIF delivered to the Commission on June 5, 2002, should be accepted for filing out of time, subject to a review of these documents for completeness in accordance with the requirements of our Rate Case Rules. The Commission further finds that this matter should be continued pending further Order of the Commission.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) VGDC's June 7, 2002, motion is hereby granted.
- (2) VGDC's 2001 AIF shall be accepted for filing out of time, subject to a review of the documents accompanying the application for completeness in accordance with the requirements of our Rate Case Rules.

(3) This matter is continued pending further Order of the Commission.